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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed on February 10, 2000, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECTFICATION

At page 15, line 20, please replace "__/__, with -- 09/176,352--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1. Please amend claims 5, 6 and 16 as follows:

(Amended) The glide head of claim 3 wherein the thermal transducer[s are] is located on the contours.

6. (Amended) The glide head of claim 2 wherein the thermal transducer[s are] <u>is</u> in electrical contact with electrically conductive pads extending [to] <u>between the bottom surface and</u> the <u>top</u> surface of the glide head.

16. (Amended) A method of producing a glide head, the method comprising depositing a <u>generally planar</u> thermal transducer oriented along an air bearing surface of the glide head.

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